



<b>AMENDMENT</b>	Application #	09/982,992
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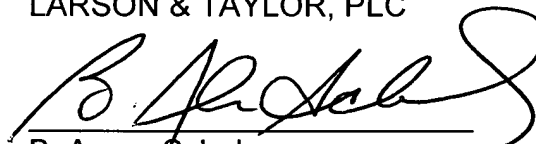
In response to the Office Action dated May 16, 2003, please amend the above identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims provided herewith in **Attachment A**.

**Remarks to this Amendment** are provided herewith in **Attachment B**.

Reconsideration and allowance of the present application is sought for the reasons as stated in the attached Remarks.

Respectfully submitted,  
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